



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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CHICAGO, IL 60604-3590

REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

MAY 16 1996

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Mr. Robert B. Peacock
Tribal Chairman
Fond du Lac Reservation Business Committee
105 University Road
Cloquet, Minnesota 55720

Dear Mr. Peacock:

It is my pleasure to inform you of my decision to approve the application of the Fond du Lac Band of Chippewa to administer the water quality standards program pursuant to the Clean Water Act, Section 303.

The Fond du Lac Band has satisfied all of the requirements set forth at the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 40, Part 131.8, "Requirements for Indian Tribes to be treated as States for purposes of water quality standards", including demonstrating its authority over all water resources on the reservation. I have enclosed a copy of the supporting documentation for your records.

The Fond du Lac Band's water quality standards will be approved under separate cover pending review and concurrence by this office and the United States Fish and Wildlife Service.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact Ms. Claudia Johnson-Schultz at (312)886-6108.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Valdas V. Adamkus".

Valdas V. Adamkus
Regional Administrator

Enclosure

cc: Charles Williams, Commissioner, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency